1. APPROACH 1

1 Approach

We present a novel approach to PoW difficulty scaling. We measure average time between requests and scale problem difficulty individually. Our model:

```
func rp_scale_model(p Param) Difficulty {
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             if math.Max(p.Cpu.Load, p.Cpu.Avg) < cpu_thres {</pre>
                      return ZeroDifficulty
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             if p.Local.LongMean > 2*max(p.Global.ShortMean, p.Global.LongMean) {
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                      if p.Local.ShortMean > 3*p.Global.ShortMean
                               && math.Max(p.Cpu.Load, p.Cpu.Avg) < cpu_thres+20 {
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                              return ZeroDifficulty
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                      }
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                      return BaseDifficulty
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             }
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             return *BaseDifficulty.multiply(1 + int((math.Max(p.Cpu.Avg, cpu_thres) - cpu_thres))).multip
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Is compared to cpu_scaling:
     func cpu_equal(p Param) Difficulty {
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             if p.Cpu.Avg < cpu_thres-30 {</pre>
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                      return ZeroDifficulty
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             return *BaseDifficulty.multiply(1 + 4*int((math.Max(p.Cpu.Avg, cpu_thres)-cpu_thres)))
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     }
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```

2 Results

Protection type

300

200

100

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2.1 Mitigation against Server Flooding

Attackers		Legitimate users		Mobile devices	
CPU	Request rate	Response time	Solving time	Response time	Solving time
13.87	6.42	0.465	0.39	28	0
14.03	4.09	0.467	0.367	18	0
13.63	1.75	0.477	0.345	13	0

0.292

Table 0.1. Classical Proof of Work

0.482

2.2 Mitigation against Server Draining

13.75

0.30